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# CITY OF MILPITAS PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICATION

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PLEASE PROVIDE COMPLETE INFORMATION (in black ink)

Name: NORMAN A AZEVEDO  
First Middle Last

Address: 60 WILSON WAY SP. 88  
Number Street Apt. #

Telephone Number(s) 408-946-1725 408-483-0511 e-mail address AZEVEDO NORMAN@YAHOO.COM

Are you a registered voter in the City of Milpitas? YES How long have you lived in Milpitas? 15 YRS

Present Employer LOCK IT UP STORAGE Business Telephone 510-790-0330

Address 38491 FREMONT BLVD FREMONT Occupation STORAGE

**Education:**

College, Professional, Vocational, or other schools attended	Major Subject	Date	Degree


List community organizations to which you belong or have belonged (additional information may be attached):

Date	Name of Organization	Officer / Member

Briefly describe your personal qualifications that you believe would be an asset (additional information may be attached):

ON MILPITAS P/C 2 YEARS

I have sufficient time to devote to this responsibility and will attend the required meetings if I am appointed to fill a future vacancy. I hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are true.

  
 Signature

11-29-06  
 Date

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**CITY OF MILPITAS**  
**COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPLICATION**

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COMMISSION APPLYING FOR ↑

Senior Advisory Commission applicants  
only: are you a member of Milpitas Senior  
Center? YES / NO

Name: Gary First Estrada Middle Cerezo Last

Address: 1702 Number Blue Spruce Way Street Apt. #

Telephone Number(s) 957-0477 e-mail address garycerezoc@hotmail.com

Are you a registered voter? Yes How long have you lived in Milpitas? 1966-1979  
(U.S. Navy 80-2005)

Present Employer JACER Corp Business Telephone 408 942-7021  
2005-present

Address SAME AS ABOVE Occupation Contract Manager

Education: If Youth Advisory Commission applicant, indicate your grade/school: \_\_\_\_\_

College, Professional, Vocational, or other schools attended	Major Subject	Date	Degree
<u>Please see attached</u>			

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Date	Name of Organization	Officer / Member
	<u>See attached</u>	

Briefly describe the personal qualifications you possess which you believe would be an asset (additional information may be attached):

See attached

I have sufficient time to devote to this responsibility and will attend the required meetings if I am appointed to fill a future vacancy. I hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are true.

L. E. Cye  
Signature

28 Nov 2006  
Date

Appointments to Commissions or Committees are made by the Mayor with the concurrence of the City Council. Applications not acted upon will expire after one year from the date submitted unless renewed by the applicant.

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Gary Cerezo  
Planning Commission Application

### **Education**

United States Naval Academy	Physical Science	1979	Bachelor of Science
Army Command and General Staff College		1992	
Joint Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Virginia		1994	
Kansas State University	Adult Education	1993-94	
Defense Language Institute, Monterey, California (Italian)		1995	

### **Community Organizations**

Present	St. John Parish	Member
2001-04	Naples American High School, Naples, Italy	News columnist
1995-99	Marymount International School, Rome, Italy	Fundraiser
1993-94	Saint Ignatius Parish Council, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas	Vice-President
1985-87	Operation Handclasp	Member

### **Personal Qualifications**

United States Navy – Naval Aviator (Pilot) 1979-2005  
Extensive overseas experience in Europe and Asia  
Government secret security clearance

2001-2005	NATO Staff Officer (Plans and Policy), Naples, Italy
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Coordinated command planning and inputs across eight departments for Joint Force Command South during NATO restructuring</li><li>• Adjunct ESL Teacher, University of La Verne</li></ul>
1999-2001	Officer in Charge, San Clemente Island Range Complex
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Coordinated 24 million dollars in construction projects that included bachelor housing and a new dining facility</li><li>• Implemented contract terms for 2.5 million aircraft transportation contract, facilitated contract terms for food service contract</li><li>• Coordinated efforts of military units, contractors, and 12 civilians tenant commands to optimize training and readiness</li><li>• Managed 2 Officers, 177 enlisted personnel and 6 civilians</li></ul>
1995-1999	U.S Navy Liaison Officer to Italian Navy Staff
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Interacted with key contacts with Italian Navy, U.S. Embassy Rome and United States Sixth Fleet to resolve operational issues</li><li>• Fluent in Italian</li></ul>
1994-1992	Instructor/Student, Army Command and General Staff College
1992-1990	Maintenance Department Head, Aviation Squadron
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Managed 9 Officers, 150 enlisted personnel</li><li>• Performed for all aspects in administering and maintaining 7, CH53E Super Stallion transport helicopters</li></ul>

# **CITY OF MILPITAS PLANNING COMMISSION SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

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Please type or print responses to the following questions. Additional sheets may be attached. Submit responses with Application form to: City Clerk, Milpitas City Hall, 455 E Calaveras Blvd., Milpitas CA 95035.

Responses provided by **Gary Cerezo** for Planning Commission

1. Why are you interested in serving on the Planning Commission?

I view this as an opportunity to serve the community. I believe I can provide unique perspective and insight based on my experiences of having lived and worked throughout the United States and abroad while serving in the U.S. Navy.

2. Describe your understanding of how the City's General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and planning procedures affect the development of the community.

The City's General Plan will come up for review in 2007. It is long term plan for the physical development of Milpitas. Zoning is meant to determine the most appropriate use of land. As such, the word "appropriate" will have many interpretations from diverse interests. Planning procedures must take into account citizen well being, financial and physical constraints that impact community development.

3. In what way will your personal or work experience contribute to your role as a Planning Commissioner?

I am accustomed to working with groups in a collaborative process. During my Navy career I was Officer in Charge of San Clemente Island. There I worked directly with 17 diverse departments on issues dealing housing, public safety, environment and quality of life issues affecting sailors and civilians

4. What do you feel are the most pressing planning problems or issues in Milpitas? How do you think they should best be resolved?

I believe one of the most pressing problems is related to residential growth and its impact on city services, traffic and schools. It should be resolved by involving all stake holders, providing as much information as possible to the public (good and bad) assessing risk and then making the best possible decision based on rigorous review of the facts and city goals.

5. Do you have a long-term vision of how you think the City should develop?

I believe that residential growth must be measured and that we should not rush in making decisions to convert commercial land to residential use. Open space, schools and business issues must be integrated into long term plans.

6. A major planning problem facing the entire Bay Area is the shortage of affordable housing. Do you have any thoughts on how the City should address this issue?

I think that Milpitas must not be goaded by Santa Clara's "grade sheet" on affordable housing when making its decisions. As much as possible we must make decisions on the best interests of Milpitas first. Milpitas must not bear the brunt of affordable housing issues. I think the City has done a good job in meeting its responsibilities on this issue.

7. What do you see as the different roles of City staff, the Planning Commission, and the City Council?

I see the Planning Commission as honest brokers and advisors to the City Council. Since the Commission and Council are essentially part time positions, I believe that it is imperative that the City Staff's talents be fully utilized and that they be given authority and support to execute the City Council's overall guidance.

8. What do you believe should be the focus of the Milpitas Redevelopment Agency and program?

I believe the focus should be on infrastructure that will impact the city now and within a 5-7 year timeframe. This infrastructure I speak of is the "non sexy" infrastructure that usually goes un-noticed until it breaks or is problematic (i.e sewer pipes and water pumping stations).

**CITY OF MILPITAS  
COMMUNITY SERVICE APPLICATION  
PLANNING COMMISSION**

(Note: At all times during the term of office, a Planning Commissioner shall be a registered voter of the City of Milpitas I-500-1.01MMC)

City Clerk's Office <sup>2:10 pm</sup>  
NOV 21 2006 <sup>rv</sup>  
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(Type or Print Clearly)

PLEASE ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COMPLETELY

ANSWERS TO SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION

Heidi Hai T. PHAM (408) 941-0469  
Name First Middle Last Home Telephone  
1278 Traughber St Milpitas, Ca 95035  
Address Number Street Apt.#

Are you a Registered Voter in the City of Milpitas? Yes How long have you lived in Milpitas? 2 years  
Santa Clara County Probation Department <sup>1408</sup> 435-2248  
Present Employer Business Telephone

2314 North 1<sup>st</sup> Street SJ-9531 Probation Com. Worker  
Address Occupation

Education: Bachelor of Science - Utah University

College, Professional, Vocational or other schools attended	Major Subject	Date	Degree
<u>University of Utah</u>	<u>Social Science</u>	<u>12/89</u>	<u>B.S</u>

List the community organizations to which you belong or have belonged (additional information may be attached):

Date	Name of Organization	Are you a Member?
<u>6/2005</u>	<u>Community Advisory Commission</u>	<u>Member</u>
<u>10/90</u>	<u>Voter of Registrar</u>	<u>Member</u>
<u>11/96</u>	<u>City of San Jose - Women &amp; Minority in Business</u>	<u>Member</u>
<u>6/2004</u>	<u>Domestic Violence Building</u>	<u>Member</u>

Briefly describe the personal qualifications you possess which you feel would be an asset (additional information may be attached):

I have the knowledge of planning from being a volunteer for other commissions. Plus the ability of speaking other languages and knowing what the people of Milpitas wants and prefers. This would be an asset to this commission.  
I have sufficient time to devote to this responsibility and will attend the required meetings if I am appointed to fill a future vacancy. I hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are true.

[Signature]  
Signature

11/21/06  
Date

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# PLANNING COMMISSION

## SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE

I'm at the city hall on my lunch hour - I'll add more if you're requesting.  
(Please type or print responses on a separate paper(s) to the following questions)



1. Why are you interested in serving on the Planning Commission?

I have the love for Milpitas and the knowledge of how to plan and prepare for my own home plus volunteering for other commissions.

2. Describe your understanding of how the City's General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and planning procedures affect the development of the community.

The City General plan, Zoning Ordinance and planning procedure

3. In what way will your personal or work experience contribute to your role as a Planning Commissioner?

I work with the public/the people and knowing what they wants and needs are very important.

4. What do you feel are the most pressing planning problems or issues in Milpitas? How do you think they should best be resolved?

I feel that Milpitas has to catch up with the limited space and unlimited number of people & how to balance this.

5. Do you have a long-term vision of how you think the City should develop?

Yes, my long term vision is the City should maximize the resources of what we have in Milpitas carefully with the safety and concern

6. A major planning problem facing the entire Bay Area is the shortage of affordable housing for the people. Do you have any thoughts on how the City should address this issue?

The City is address this issue by adding more of affordable housing but how about other facilities for Public usages

7. What do you see as the different roles of City staff, the Planning Commission, and the City Council?

We, all have different roles with the same purpose to built Milpitas to be a better place & quality of life

8. What do you believe should be the focus of the Milpitas Redevelopment Agency and program?

The people what they need and want for their community - The program s/b for the people of Milpitas to benefit.

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**PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICATION**

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PLEASE PROVIDE COMPLETE INFORMATION (In black ink)

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First Middle Last  
Address: 644 N. HILLVIEW DRIVE, MILPITAS, CA 95035  
Number Street Apt. #  
Telephone Number(s) (408) 946-6199 e-mail address zmohsin@comcast.net

Are you a registered voter in the City of Milpitas? YES How long have you lived in Milpitas? 17 Yrs.

Present Employer MILPITAS PARENTS' PBE-SCHOOL Business Telephone (408) 263-3950

Address 355 DIXON ROAD, MILPITAS, CA 95035 Occupation DIRECTOR/TEACHER

**Education:**

College, Professional, Vocational, or other schools attended	Major Subject	Date	Degree
<u>UNIV. OF KARACHI, PAKISTAN</u>	<u>PSYCHOLOGY</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>B.A.</u>

List community organizations to which you belong or have belonged (additional information may be attached):

Date	Name of Organization	Officer / Member

Briefly describe your personal qualifications that you believe would be an asset (additional information may be attached):

I have sufficient time to devote to this responsibility and will attend the required meetings if I am appointed to fill a future vacancy. I hereby certify that all statements contained in this application are true.

Zeya Mohsin  
Signature

29<sup>th</sup> Nov 06  
Date

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Organizations</u>	<u>Chair/ Member</u>
2000	MHS PTSA	Vice President
2000	Chamber of Commerce, Milpitas	Member
2001	BTAC	Vice Chair
2001-2003	PRCRC	Vice Chair
2001-2003	APPN North East Region	Co-Chair
2002-2003	PTSA Council North East Region	Vice President
2002-2003	Band Boosters	Vice President

*Briefly describe the personal qualification you possess which you feel would be an asset.*

By serving on several committee and organizations, I have learned valuable lessons to be able to work with others cooperatively, to assess and to act upon major concerns and issues. In the same way I hope to be an asset if re-appointed on the Planning Commission.

**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

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Q1. Why are you interested in serving on the Planning Commission?

Answer: I am interested in serving on the Planning Commission because the future of the city is important to me. My experience from past years on the Planning Commission as well as serving on other commissions, allows me to be a valuable asset. I understand the intricate details of city planning and am innovative in my thinking. At the same time, I emulate the diverse community that makes up our city. This gives me an opportunity to represent women and the minority needs.

Q2. Describe your understanding of how the City's General Plan, Zoning Ordinance, and planning procedures affect the development of the community.

Answer: City's General Plan is the blue print of the City's intended growth of industrial, residential and mixed used development. Zoning ordinance are rules that can be modified as needed to establish guidelines within the city for the benefit of the people. Planning procedures are a detailed consideration of growth and development of the city. All together the process ensures that there is a consistency in development and uniformity in growth. It also ensures that the development follows the City's general growth plan.

Q3. In what way your personal or work experience contributes to your role as a Planning Commissioner.

Answer: My personal and work experience will be an asset, because I am in constant interaction with the community. I am a pre-school teacher/director and I am in touch with new parents who are in process of evaluating where they would like to buy their first home. The factors that are vital to them are affordable housing, real estate appreciation, safe neighborhood, accessible public transit and shopping areas.

Q4. What do you feel are the most pressing planning problems or issues in Milpitas? How do you think they should best be resolved?

Answer: Following are the most pressing planning problems:

- i. Affordable housing
- ii. Crowded shopping center
- iii. Traffic Congestion
  - a. Transit connection within city
  - b. Bus stop repairs (coverings and new seating)

Traffic flow in various shopping areas has become a safety issue, which needs to be addressed. The new development of Shapell in the town center is an immediate concern because of the four major anchor business; Mervyns, Staples, Safeway, and Giorgio's plus the 65 home-owners who will be using the same right of way.

Work with VTA in connection the city from Park Town to City Hall and various routes within the city.

Q5: Do you have a long-term vision of how you think the City should develop?

Answer: The long

Long-term vision for City development in my mind is planning a mixed-use area with accessible transit and pedestrian friendly. Such developments get maximum usage as well as build strong interactive communities.

Affordable housing to help families achieve their American Dream, the focus being on the big picture by innovative means to bring industries and jobs to the city.

Q6. A major problem facing the entire Bay Area is the shortage of affordable housing. Do you have any thoughts on how the City should address this issue?

Answer: The City will have to secure lands and provide it to developers, offer incentives in exchange of securing 20% of the new construction as affordable housing. Incentives could be lowering/ waiving application fees to developers.

Q7. What do you see as the different roles of City staff, Planning Commission, and the City Council?

Answer: The City staff should provide initial analyses of zoning and development issues. The Planning Commission deliberates on the recommendations and comes to a decision. The City Council provides the leadership role on various City's development projects.

Q8. What do you believe should be the focus of Milpitas Re-development agency and programs?

Answer: Mid Town plan should be the focus of the Re-development agency. They should be actively pursuing bringing new businesses to the City that could generate taxable income. At the same time prioritize mass transit solutions.